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Subject: REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE

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SUBJ/REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE MARINE CORPS EQUIPMENT /READINESS INFORMATION TOOL (MERIT) ONE NUMBER CONCEPT /INITIATIVE//

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GENTEXT/REMARKS/1. PURPOSE. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MSG IS TWOFOLD.

1.A. TO SOLICIT COMMENTS REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ONE NUMBER CONCEPT.

1.B. TO ASSESS THE FUTURE VALUE OF THE MARINE CORPS AUTOMATED READINESS EVALUATION SYSTEM (MARES).

2. BACKGROUND.

2.A. OVER THE YEARS, GROUND EQUIPMENT READINESS HAS BEEN REPORTED USING THE AUTHORIZED (AUTH), POSSESSED (POSS), AND EQUIPMENT DEADLINE (D/L) QUANTITIES RESIDENT IN MARES, A SUB-SECTION OF MARINE CORPS INTEGRATED MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT

SYSTEMS (MIMMS).

2.B. THE CURRENT MARINE CORPS EQUIPMENT POSTURE, REQUIRING

THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CROSS LEVELING INITIATIVES COUPLED WITH

THE INCREASED USAGE OF MERIT, AMPLIFIED THE DISCREPANCIES BETWEEN

MIMMS AND SUPPORT ACTIVITY SUPPLY SYSTEM (SASSY) RECORDS. ALTHOUGH NOT A NEW PROBLEM, IT HAS HIGHLIGHTED THE NEED TO ASSESS

THE FEASIBILITY OF USING INFORMATION FROM AUTHORITATIVE FILES VICE RELYING ON DATA MANUALLY INDUCTED VIA MARES.

2.C. AT PRESENT, MERIT, THROUGH THE MATERIEL READINESS INTEGRATED PRODUCT TEAM (MRIPT), IS CONSIDERING THE ONE NUMBER

CONCEPT.

3. ONE NUMBER CONCEPT AND METHODOLOGY. THE INTENT OF THE ONE

NUMBER CONCEPT IS TO ESTABLISH SASSY AS THE SINGLE SOURCE FOR AUTHORIZED AND POSSESSED QUANTITIES, FROM WHICH ALL GROUND EQUIPMENT READINESS CALCULATIONS WILL BE MADE WITHIN MERIT. 3.A. BENEFITS WILL INCLUDE:

3.A.1. LESS CONFUSION, FEWER SPREADSHEETS, AND MORE CONSENSUSES

ON DATA IN GENERAL.

3.A.2. ENHANCED COMMUNICATION BETWEEN SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE

PERSONNEL.

3.A.3. MORE ACCURATE NUMBERS WHICH WILL PROVIDE A MORE REALISTIC

PICTURE OF READINESS.

3.A.4. ENSURES ALL DECISIONS ON USMC GROUND EQUIPMENT WOULD BE

MADE WITH THE SAME INFORMATION BASE.

3.A.5. ELIMINATES DUPLICATION OF LABOR.

3.B. OBSTACLES TO ENCOUNTER:

3.B.1. ACCURACY OF SUPPLY RECORDS.

3.B.2. VALUE OF SPECIFIC LEGACY SYSTEMS.

3.B.3. CHANGE IS NEVER POPULAR.

4. ASSESSMENT OF MARES.

4.A. IMPLEMENTING THIS CONCEPT WILL REQUIRE SIGNIFICANT POLICY

CHANGES AND A COMPLETE CULTURAL SHIFT IN THE WAY THE MARINE CORPS

REPORTS GROUND EQUIPMENT.

4.B. THE REQUIREMENT TO MAINTAIN MARES MUST BE ADDRESSED WITH

RESOLUTION. QUESTIONS TO ASK/ANSWER:

4.B.1. SHOULD THE LM2 REPORT BE MAINTAINED CONCURRENT WITH MERIT?

IF SO, WHY?
4.B.2. HOW VALUABLE ARE RM4 REMARKS? SHOULD A SIMILAR CAPABILITY
RESIDE IN MERIT?
4.B.3. IS NOW THE TIME TO RETIRE MARES? IF SO, HOW?
5. ACTION. PROVIDE COMMENTS/CONCURRENCE TO THIS HQS ON THE PROPOSED INITIATIVE AND ASSESSMENT OF MARES NLT 28 FEB 06.//